# Marysville City Council 7:00 p.m.

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Call to Order/Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance	7:00 P.M.
Roll Call	
Approval of Minutes	
Approve February 27, 2006 City Council Meeting Minutes.	Approved
Approve March 6, 2006 City Council Work Session Minutes	Approved
Consent Agenda	
Approve February 22, 2006 Claims in the Amount of \$1,254,559.32; Paid	Approved
by Check No. 28763 through 28902 with Check No. 28728 Void.	
Approve March 1, 2006 Claims in the Amount of \$473,281.66; Paid by	Approved
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with Systems Interface Inc. for Telemetry Repair and Maintenance.	pp
Authorize Mayor to Sign Amendment to the Hartford Deferred	Approved
Compensation Plan.	
Authorize Mayor to Sign ICMA-RC Vantage Care Retirement Health	Approved
Savings (RHS) Program.	. 4-6
Review Bids	
Award Bid for Northwest Water Transmission Main project to Snelson	Approved
Companies, Inc.	, ,
Public Hearings	
Current Business	
New Business	
Accept Smokey Point Annexation; 10% Notice of Intention; PA 06017.	Approved
Authorize the Mayor to Sign Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to	Approved
Professional Services Agreement with Reid Middleton, Inc., Modifying the	,,
Scope of Work for the Northwest Water Transmission Main Project.	
Authorize the Mayor to Sign Professional Services Agreement with MWH	Approved
Americas, Inc. for Construction Management Services on the Northwest	
Water Transmission Main Project.	
Authorize the Mayor to Sign Department of Natural Resources Aquatic	Approved
Lands Outfall Easement No. 51-077970; Steamboat Slough Sanitary	
Sewer Outfall.	
Accept the North Lakewood Annexation; 10% Notice of Intention; PA	Approved
06019.	
Legal	
Ordinances and Resolutions	
An Ordinance of the City of Marysville Amending the 2006 Budget and	Approved
Acknowledge the Exercising of MMC 14.07.070 Section 4(1) Providing for	Ord. No. 2619

# Marysville City Council 7:00 p.m.

March 13, 2006

City Hall

the Increase 2% for Water and Sewer Fees and Rates And Amending	
Ordinance No. 2604, 2608, 2616.	
An Ordinance of the City of Marysville, Washington Increasing Water and	Approved
Sewer Utility Rates, Amending Sections 14.07.060 and 14.07.070 of the	Ord. No. 2620
Marysville Municipal Code as Allowed Under Section 14.07.070(4)(1).	
A Resolution of the City of Marysville Adopting the ICMA-RC VantageCare	Approved
Retirement Health Savings (RHS) Program.	Res. No. 2173
Information Items	
Mayor's Business	
Staff Business	
Call on Councilmembers	
Adjournment	7:50 p.m.
Executive Session	7:58 p.m.
1. One Litigation Items	Authorize Mayor
2. One Personnel Items	to Sign Purchase
3. Three Real Estate Items	& Sale Agreement
Adjournment	8:34 p.m.

#### MARYSVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**MARCH 13, 2006** 

7:00 P.M.

CITY HALL

## CALL TO ORDER / INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Jon Nehring called the March 13, 2006 meeting of the Marysville City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. The Reverend Mary Allen from St. Philip's Episcopal Church gave the invocation. Mayor Pro Tem Nehring then led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ROLL CALL**

Chief Administrative Officer Mary Swenson gave the roll call. The following staff and councilmembers were in attendance.

Mayor Pro Tem: Jon Nehring

Council: Lee Phillips, Carmen Rasmussen, Jeff Seibert, John Soriano, Jeff

Vaughan, and Donna Wright

Staff: Robert Carden, Police Chief; Sandy Langdon, Finance Director; Mary

Swenson, Chief Administrative Officer; Grant Weed, City Attorney, Gloria

Hirashima, Community Development Director; Kevin Nielsen, City

Engineer; and Laurie Hugdahl, Recording Secretary.

Ms. Swenson noted that Mayor Kendall is at the National League of Cities in Washington D.C.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Councilmember Seibert gave a report on the March 3 **Public Works Committee** meeting. The following topics were discussed:

- Update on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue rechannelization and approach work
- Automated meter reading system will be advertising for bids soon
- Crosswalk change near Cedarcrest Golf Course speed limit reduction
- Update on 529 Bridge schedule goal is to be done before 2010

## **PRESENTATIONS**

None.

# **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Steven Rothschild, 6409 - 77<sup>th</sup> Drive NE, Marysville, WA 98270.

Mr. Rothschild expressed concerns about the fireworks around the City during the Fourth of July celebration period. He feels the situation created by the noise, smell, and debris is

Marysville City Council March 13, 2006 Meeting Minutes Page 1 of 7 intolerable. He would like to see fireworks prohibited altogether and suggested a change in the municipal code.

Councilmember Seibert asked him if the majority of the fireworks that he has witnessed have been ones that are already illegal. Mr. Rothschild was not sure. Chief Carden discussed what the police department has done and continues to do to improve this situation. He explained that they have extra officers during that period and every year they write citations and confiscate a great number of illegal fireworks. They have reduced the number of days that fireworks are allowed. Councilmember Jeff Vaughan asked if Chief Carden has noticed any improvements in the situation. Chief Carden stated that they have tried to educate the public about legal versus illegal fireworks, but he acknowledged that there is still a substantial amount of illegal fireworks being used. Jeff Seibert noted that even if a change was enacted, it would take a full year before that would go into effect. Mayor Pro Tem Nehring added that the officers must witness an individual in possession of the fireworks to issue a citation. There was some discussion about a fireworks committee that was created in the past to address this issue.

# Paul Bialkowsky, Columbia Investments, Ltd., Portland, OR,

Mr. Bialkowsky read a written statement addressed to the Council asking them to consider Columbia Investments' proposal to "re-open the sawmill and operate at its present location for a period of time sufficient to allow for the acquisition and development of an alternate location such as the North Marysville industrial area and for the city to fully plan, fund and implement its planned re-development of the property."

# Neil Green, 8120 54th Drive NE.

Mr. Green asked when the variance for sewer and fire flow for the Marysville Tulalip Museum would be discussed. Ms. Swenson replied that it was scheduled for the next meeting in two weeks.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

# A. February 27, 2006 City Council Meeting.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Wright; seconded by Councilmember Rasmussen to approve the February 27, 2006 City Council minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).

# B. March 6, 2006 City Council Work Session.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Vaughan; seconded by Councilmember Wright to approve the March 6, 2006 Work Session minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilmember Rasmussen requested that Item H be removed from the Consent Agenda. **Motion** made by Councilmember Soriano; seconded by Councilmember Vaughan to approve Consent Agenda Items A-G as follows:

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- A. Approval of February 22, 2006 Claims in the Amount of \$1,254,559.32; Paid by Check No. 28763 through 28902 with Check No. 28728 Void.
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- F. Authorize Mayor to Sign Renewal of Professional Services Agreement with Systems Interface Inc. for Telemetry Repair and Maintenance.
- G. Authorize Mayor to Sign Amendment to the Hartford Deferred Compensation Plan.

Motion passed unanimously (7-0).

Ms. Rasmussen indicated she would be abstaining from voting on Item H.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Vaughan; seconded by Councilmember Wright to approve Consent Agenda Item H as follows:

H. Authorize Mayor to Sign ICMA-RC Vantage Care Retirement Health Savings (RHS) Program.

Motion passed unanimously (6-0) with Councilmember Rasmussen abstaining.

#### **REVIEW BIDS**

A. Northwest Water Transmission Main.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Vaughan; seconded by Councilmember Soriano to award the bid for the Northwest Water Transmission Main project to Snelson Companies, Inc. in the amount of \$3,772,380.08 including Washington State Sales Tax, authorized the Mayor to sign the contract documents and approve a 5% management reserve of \$188,619.00 for a total allocation of \$3,960,999.00. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

None.

#### **CURRENT BUSINESS**

None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Smokey Point Annexation; 10% Notice of Intention; PA 06017.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Wright; seconded by Councilmember Seibert to accept the 10% Notice of Intent and establishment of an annexation area for circulation of the 60% petition. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).

B. Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to Professional Services Agreement with Reid Middleton, Inc., Modifying the Scope of Work for the Northwest Water Transmission Main Project.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Rasmussen; seconded by Councilmember Seibert to authorize the Mayor to sign Supplemental Agreement No. 1 in the amount of \$22,820.00 with Reid Middleton. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).

C. Professional Services Agreement with MWH Americas, Inc. for Construction Management Services on the Northwest Water Transmission Main Project.

Councilmember Soriano referred to the Time of Performance stated on page 2 and asked if staff felt this would be enough time. Kevin Nielsen indicated that they thought it would be.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Soriano; seconded by Councilmember Seibert to authorize the Mayor to sign the Professional Services Agreement in the amount of \$226,882.00 with MWH Americas, Inc. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).

D. Department of Natural Resources Aquatic Lands Outfall Easement No. 51-077970; Steamboat Slough Sanitary Sewer Outfall.

Kevin Nielsen stated, in response to a question raised at the work session, that the price for the permit is \$570.96.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Wright; seconded by Councilmember Rasmussen to authorize the Mayor to sign the Department of Natural Resources Aquatic Lands Outfall Easement 51-077970. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).

E. North Lakewood Annexation; 10% Notice of Intention; PA 06019.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Seibert; seconded by Councilmember Phillips to accept the 10% Notice of Intent and establishment of an annexation area for circulation for the 60% petition. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).

**LEGAL** 

None.

## ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

A. An Ordinance of the City of Marysville Amending the 2006 Budget and Acknowledge the Exercising of MMC 14.07.070 Section 4(1) Providing for the Increase 2% for Water and Sewer Fees and Rates And Amending Ordinance No. 2604, 2608, 2616.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Vaughan; seconded by Councilmember Soriano to approve Ordinance No. 2619. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).

B. An Ordinance of the City of Marysville, Washington Increasing Water and Sewer Utility Rates, Amending Sections 14.07.060 and 14.07.070 of the Marysville Municipal Code as Allowed Under Section 14.07.070(4)(1).

City Attorney Grant Weed reviewed the changes made to this ordinance since the work session.

**Motion** made by Mayor Pro Tem Nehring; seconded by Councilmember Wright to approve Ordinance No. 2620. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).

C. A Resolution of the City of Marysville Adopting the ICMA-RC VantageCare Retirement Health Savings (RHS) Program.

Mary Swenson commented that this is a new program they will be offering to employees to allow them to save in advance for medical expenses in retirement. Councilmember Rasmussen indicated that she would be abstaining from the vote.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Vaughan; seconded by Councilmember Seibert to approve Resolution No. 2173 regarding adoption of the VantageCare Retirement Health Savings Program. Motion passed unanimously (6-0) with Councilmember Rasmussen abstaining.

# **INFORMATION ITEMS**

# A. Mayor's Business

Mayor Pro Tem Nehring stated that he had no business on behalf of Mayor Kendall.

## **B. Staff Business**

**Kevin Nielsen** announced that Public Works Director Paul Roberts was also in Washington D.C. with Mayor Kendall.

Gloria Hirashima gave an update on the BRB hearing regarding the Smith and Wicklow annexation.

She noted that they have sent out RFP's and letters of interest for the Smokey Point Master Plan planned action and also for the Gateways Master Plan.

Grant Weed stated that he had five matters for Executive Session. Those included three Real Estate issues, one Pending Litigation item and one Personnel item. Council was expected to take action on one of the real estate items. The estimated time needed for the Executive Session was 45 minutes.

Mary Swenson noted that the upcoming Cities and Towns meeting would be held in Lynnwood. Interested councilmembers should contact Lillie Lein.

**Sandy Langdon** confirmed that the Finance Committee meeting would be on Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30 pm.

Chief Carden stated that they would be having an inspection on Thursday, March 16th and an officer will be graduating from the academy next week.

## C. Call on Councilmembers

Carmen Rasmussen noted that the Parks and Recreation Board will be doing a tour of proposed parks.

Lee Phillips had no further comments.

**Jeff Vaughan** commented that a house had burned down in the 6300 block of Grove. He wondered if this might be a code enforcement opportunity for the City. Mary Swenson indicated she would look into it.

Mr. Vaughan noted that a citizen had expressed concerns about vehicle theft and vandalism at the Ash Avenue Park and ride. He wondered what the City's responsibility was. Ms. Swenson indicated she would also look into that issue.

Mr. Vaughan thanked staff for acting on having the abandoned truck removed.

**Donna Wright** asked about the date for the police graduation. Chief Carden thought that it was Thursday, March 23.

Jeff Seibert asked if there was any interest in discussing the issue brought up during Audience Participation. Mr. Vaughan suggested bringing up the fireworks issue at the Council retreat. Mayor Pro Tem Nehring suggested addressing it with a committee. Councilmember Vaughan commented that he was interested in waiting a year or two since he has seen noticeable improvement.

**John Soriano** commented that there would be a practice fire on Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 7<sup>th</sup> and Delta at 9:00 a.m.

Carmen Rasmussen asked about the difference between enforcement of illegal fireworks versus an all-out ban. Chief Carden explained the efforts the police department has undertaken and noted that they would not have the resources to effectively implement an all-out ban. Jeff Seibert noted that it took the City of Everett a few years before they noticed a dramatic difference with their ban. He suggested sending a letter to the Mr. Rothschild describing improvements that the City is beginning to see.

Jon Nehring announced that timesheets are due on Tuesday, March 14th. He said he has been receiving a lot of questions regarding drainage issues at Strawberry Fields. Ms. Swenson stated she would be bringing back more information on that. Mayor Pro Tem Nehring also asked about Cedar Field. Ms. Swenson stated that the school district may be selling that property at some point. If so, the City has requested that they discuss this with them first.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Pro Tem Nehring adjourned into Executive Session at 7:50 p.m.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Council met in Executive Session at 7:58 p.m. to discuss one litigation, one personnel, and three real estate items.

Council reconvened into regular session at 8:32 p.m.

**Motion by** Councilmember Wright, second by Councilmember Soriano to authorize the Mayor to sign Purchase & Sale Agreement for the Marysville Community Center as discussed in Executive Session. **Motion carried** unanimously (7-0).

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Seeing no further business, Mayor Pro Tem Nehring adjourned the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

Approved this  $27^{\frac{14}{5}}$  day of  $\frac{}{}$  March, 2006.

Mayor Dennis Kendall

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Recording Secreta Laurie Hugdahl

## MARYSVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**MARCH 20, 2006** 

7:00 P.M.

**CITY HALL** 

## CALL TO ORDER / INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Dennis Kendall called the March 20, 2006 meeting of the Marysville City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. There was no invocation. Mayor Kendall then led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ROLL CALL**

Chief Administrative Officer Mary Swenson gave the roll call. The following staff and councilmembers were in attendance.

Mayor:

Dennis Kendall

Council:

Lee Phillips, Carmen Rasmussen, Jeff Seibert, John Soriano, Jeff Vaughan,

Donna Wright and Mayor Pro Tem Jon Nehring

Staff:

Mary Swenson, Chief Administrative Officer; Grant Weed, City Attorney; Sandy

Langdon, Finance Director; Gloria Hirashima, Community Development Director; Paul Roberts, Public Works Director; Jim Ballew, Parks and

Recreation Director; and Laurie Hugdahl, Recording Secretary.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Carmen Rasmussen reported on the **Parks and Recreation Committee**'s informative tour to several park sites.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

School Retirees Appreciation Week.

Mayor Kendall proclaimed March 20-26 as School Retirees Appreciation Week.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

None.

Other Items Scheduled for March 27, 2006 Meeting

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

- A. March 13, 2006 City Council Meeting.
- B. March 20, 2006 City Council Work Session.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of March 15, 2006 Claims.
- B. Approval of March 22, 2006 Claims.
- C. Approval of March 20, 2006 Payroll.
- D. Approval of Liquor License Renewals for Kuhnle's Tavern (204 State Avenue); Maxi's Restaurant (9611 State Avenue Ste. C); 4th Street Market & Deli (1212 Fourth Street); 7-Eleven Store #2306-32834A (3609 88th Street NE); 7-Eleven Store #29536 (10013A Shoultes Road); Acapulco Mexican Restaurant (9611 State Ave, Ste. A); and LaHacienda #4 (9922 State Avenue).
- E. Approval of Lease Renewal Agreement and Contract for Deering Wildflower Acres Park and Jeffrey & Karen Pickard for Caretaking Services.

Parks and Recreation Director Jim Ballew noted that they are now requiring that the caretakers pay all utilities. The caretakers are in agreement with this. Councilmember Soriano pointed out that the ending date of the contract should be 2011. Mr. Ballew indicated they would correct that.

F. Authorize Mayor to Sign Interagency Agreement with Snohomish County for the 2006 Overlay Program.

Paul Roberts stated that this results in savings by combining resources. Carmen Rasmussen asked about the timing. Mr. Roberts stated he would bring that information back. Councilmember Rasmussen asked how the sites were chosen. Mr. Roberts explained that they were chosen from a backlog list of streets that were in the worst shape. Mary Swenson pointed out that they also have a pavement management system. Mr. Roberts noted that county employees would be doing the work. Councilmember Seibert commented that the county goes out to bid for this, which results in a savings to the City. Mr. Seibert asked about the streets that are beyond being able to be fixed by overlays. Mr. Roberts indicated he would give an overview of that next Monday along with an update of the 529 bridge project. Councilmember Soriano asked about the number of lineal feet. Mr. Roberts was not certain, but indicated he could come up with an estimate. Mr. Soriano stated that it seemed like a bargain.

G. Set a Public Hearing Date of April 24, 2006 to Consider Vacation of a Portion of Unimproved Right-of-Way of 83rd Avenue N.E. & North of Assessor's Tax Parcel No. 30052500200500; PA 06018.

Gloria Hirashima stated that this area was recently annexed to the city. Councilmember Seibert asked about plans for a road to the north to connect to 83<sup>rd</sup>. Ms. Hirashima responded that there had been plans for that, but they did not go through. He asked if there would be a cul-de-sac on lots 5 and 6. Ms. Hirashima affirmed that there would be.

# H. Approval of New Liquor License for Boondocker's Café (1008 Cedar Avenue).

Carmen Rasmussen asked about the opening date. Staff was not sure.

I. Authorize Mayor to Sign Imaging & Preservation Services Agreement with State of Washington OSOS Contract No. 9CM3-689.

Sandy Langdon explained that this was an \$18,000 grant from the Washington State Archives Local Records Grant Program for 2005-2007. It will be used for microfilming the City Council meeting minutes, Ordinances and Resolutions. They plan to reduce the risk of loss as much as possible by making copies of all documents and sending them down in limited quantities.

## **REVIEW BIDS**

None.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### A. Mattson Annexation; PA 05033.

Carmen Rasmussen had concerns about the proximity of 87<sup>th</sup> NE to Highway 9. Ms. Hirashima indicated that it should be fine and that it had been approved by the appropriate entities.

#### **CURRENT BUSINESS**

None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Professional Services Agreement for Design Services on Edward Springs 327 Reservoir Project; Gray and Osborne.

Mr. Roberts stated that this is for the design work for a 500,000 gallon metal reservoir. Councilmember Jeff Seibert brought up a concern he had in the next Professional Services Agreement with Murray, Smith & Associates (page one, *Article I. Purpose*, 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph). He questioned why this was included and expressed concern about altering the City's standard agreement. Grant Weed, City Attorney, thought that it had been included at the request of the consultant, but indicated he would review it before next week.

B. Professional Services Agreement for West Marysville Sewer Pump Station Rehabilitation Project; Murray, Smith & Associates, Inc.

Paul Roberts stated that they are trying to go through all the systems in a 3-year cycle. This one was built in 1968 and requires a substantial rehabilitation. There were no questions regarding this item.

# C. Utility Variance Request for Water and Sewer; Tulalip Tribes.

Paul Roberts Stated that this is necessary for the City to provide water and sewer services for these facilities. There were no questions regarding this item.

# D. Holiday Inn Express – Well Monitoring Agreement; PA05038.

Gloria Hirashima stated that this is a condition of the SEPA for the Holiday Inn Express. The Well Monitoring Agreement takes place for five years.

#### **LEGAL**

None.

#### ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- A. A Resolution of the City of Marysville Stating Its Intention to Annex Certain Unincorporated Area Known as the Mattson Annexation, into the City, and Transmitting the Matter to the Snohomish County Boundary Review Board for Approval.
- B. A Resolution of the City of Marysville Establishing April 24, 2006 as the Date Upon Which a Hearing Shall Be Held Before the Marysville City Council to Consider Vacation of a Portion of Unimproved Right-of-Way East of 83rd Avenue NE and North of Assessor's Tax Parcel No. 30052500200500.

#### INFORMATION ITEMS

#### A. Mayor's Business

Mayor Kendall stated that Representative Larsen would be at the senior center for Medicare services information on Thursday.

He attended the Lakewood Sports Auction on Saturday night and had a great time. EDC was up today for meeting.

The retreat this Saturday has a very full agenda. There will be a working lunch with the Council going into Executive Session at some point in the afternoon.

#### **B. Staff Business**

Gloria Hirashima said they are still working on the rural cluster subdivision issue. They are getting close to 60% on Sunnyside.
Staff will be starting four different Master Plans soon.
Developers' Breakfast next Wednesday at Cedarcrest.

Sandy Langdon had no further comments.

Jim Ballew informed the Council that they had closed the skate park temporarily due to vandalism.

They have had many applications for the athletic coordinator position. They will begin interviews soon.

Registration has begun for summer programs.

Paul Roberts indicated that they would discuss the 529 bridge replacement next week when they discuss the streets situation.

**Grant Weed** noted that he had five items for Executive Session - One potential litigation item, two pending litigation items, one real estate item, and one personnel item.

Mary Swenson said that staff is looking into the house that burned down. She noted that they are sending a follow-up letter to the gentleman who came to Council last week to discuss fireworks.

#### C. Call on Councilmembers

Lee Phillips had no further comments.

**Carmen Rasmussen** noted that there was some public confusion and concern about the sale of MCC. She stated that it would be helpful to get the word out that the soccer fields can still be used. Mary Swenson indicated that they could do a press release. Ms. Rasmussen suggested sprucing up the gateway areas as quickly as possible.

Jeff Vaughan commented that the police department awards were fantastic.

**Jon Nehring** concurred. He noted that the awards and inspection were exceptional. He asked about the condition of Strawberry Fields. Jim Ballew replied that they are getting ready.

**Jeff Seibert** also thanked the police department for the awards ceremony and inspection. He asked how the practice burn for the fire department went. Mary Swenson indicated that it went very well.

He urged caution when and if the City enters into any agreements with photographers. He encouraged them to make certain that the City owns any photographs that are taken. He asked Gloria Hirashima if they have a handout regarding developing commercial property. Ms. Hirashima responded that they do have a commercial site plan packet. She noted that the information varies from site to site and recommended that they come in for the pre-application process.

He said he would pass on a drawing of a proposed train station/ferry terminal/transportation hub in Mukilteo.

**John Soriano** complimented the police awards ceremony and inspection. He noted that the practice burn also benefited the Tulalip Fire District who participated along with Marysville. **Donna Wright** also praised the police officers at the inspection and awards ceremony. She passed around a note card she received from a councilmember from Edmonds. She suggested that Marysville councilmembers might get something similar for writing notes.

- D. Park Advisory Board Minutes; February 8, 2006.
- E. Marysville Library Board Minutes; March 9, 2006.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Kendall recessed into Executive Session at 7:48 p.m.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Council met in Executive Session at 8:05 p.m. to discuss one potential litigation, two pending litigation, one real estate, and one personnel issue.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Council reconvened into Regular Session at 8:35 p.m., and seeing no further business or action to be taken, Mayor Kendall adjourned the meeting.

Approved this 27<sup>±</sup> day of March , 2006.

Mayor

Dennis Kendall

City Clerk

Gerry Becker

Recording Secretary

Laurie Hugdahl

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Present:

Mayor Dennis Kendall

Councilmembers:

Jon Nehring, Mayor Pro Tem

Jeff Vaughan Donna Wright Jeff Seibert John Soriano Lee Phillips

Carmen Rasmussen

Staff:

Mary Swenson, Chief Administrative Officer

Sandy Langdon, Finance Director

Gloria Hirashima, Community Development Director

Paul Roberts, Public Works Director Jim Ballew, Parks & Recreation Director

Bob Carden, Chief of Police Grant Weed, City Attorney

Doug Buell, Community Information Officer

Lillie Lein, Recording Secretary

Mayor Kendall called the Marysville City Council Retreat to order at 8.25 a.m., and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mary Swenson called the roll noting that Councilmembers Wright and Phillips would be there shortly.

# **Annexation Timelines**

Community Development Director Hirashima noted that all priority area annexations are on target for completion this year:

- Sunnyside/Whiskey Ridge has been filed with the County for 60% approval and could be finalized by August.
- Whiskey Ridge North is still circulating petitions, and are currently at approximately 50%. They should obtain 60% soon.
- Mattson is scheduled for a public hearing before Council on Monday, March 27.

The above annexations would complete the Southeast portion of the UGA.

- The Smith Annexation which is along I-5 north of 88<sup>th</sup> Street is going back to the BRB in April.
- The Wicklow Annexation has been approved by the BRB and is ready to be finalized after agreement on the Smith Annexation area is reached.

City Council Retreat March 25, 2006 Page 1 of 12 In regard to the UGA expansion areas, Ms. Hirashima noted the following:

- American Eagle and Frondorf Annexations should be finalized by late Spring or early Summer.
- Smokey Point and Lakewood Annexations are being worked on.
- The 10% intent to annex petition on the North Lakewood Annexation has been accepted and the 60% petition is being worked on. This should be finished by Fall.

Chief Administrative Officer Mary Swenson began a discussion on the fact that all of these annexations mean that the City needs more staff. In referring to the Sunnyside Annexation and others, she stated that they will require a new beat for the Police Department, and that Council authorization to start that process is needed.

Police Chief Carden agreed noting that there is a 90-day wait to get an officer into the academy. Ms. Swenson stated that it was important to start the process now or the City would be behind. She has had some discussions with the officers and will meet with them again. They are excited about the changes.

Councilmember Nehring asked if this would be late 2006 or 2007. Chief Carden responded that it takes 90-days to hire someone and then another 90-days to get that person into the academy.

It was noted that they will need to hire 5 people (a squad consists of 4 officers and 1 detective). A staffing study of the Police Department is scheduled and will probably show a need for additional officers over the 5 new hires being requested.

Councilmember Seibert asked how fast site construction and permitting will be before the area is completely built out. Director Hirashima responded that the City will probably see development and construction in three years but not a complete build-out.

Councilmember Wright arrived at 8:35 a.m.

Councilmember Seibert asked about the infrastructure. Public Works Director Paul Roberts stated that water and sewer are fine. The streets, however, would need major repair. Director Hirashima added that most water and sewer improvements could be accomplished through developer fees. Director Roberts emphasized that streets are a big issue because of the poorly maintained streets the City will inherit through annexations. Director Hirashima noted that Sunnyside Boulevard needs major repairs, and added that this was a big issue during the annexation process. Given the growth, the City needs to look at moving some street projects into the 6 year TIP, which Director Roberts agreed, and stated that they are looking into doing that. Ms. Swenson added that the budget authorizes two hires for the street department this year.

Ms. Swenson noted that new legislation has passed giving Cities that annex an area with over 10,000 in population an additional .1% of sales tax for no more than ten years.

Councilmember Phillips arrived at 8:45 a.m.

Mayor Kendall stated that the next area to be annexed would be the area between 88<sup>th</sup> and 100<sup>th</sup> Streets but that the City needed time to absorb the impacts of the current annexations so the process for annexing that area won't start for a while.

Councilmember Nehring asked about projections of sales tax revenues, and Director Langdon replied that based on 500,000 square feet of retail space, it is projected that the City would receive \$500,000 in sales tax. The City has 500,000 square feet of retail space coming into the City in the fall and another 500,000 next year.

Director Langdon also noted that there will be construction sales tax but would like to see that put in reserves. Ms. Swenson stated that she would like to see Council set a process that the construction sales tax dollars would not be used without Council authorization. There was a short discussion on mitigations fees with Director Roberts noting that revenue is coming in but there are still more projects than revenue.

Councilmember Rasmussen said that she has seen that citizens are more patient if they know the City has a plan. Director Roberts agreed and said that it was important. He said they are looking into how fast the City can get projects going. Director Hirashima explained that grant money is not available for planning, only construction. Director Roberts concurred that having a plan for a project is vital to obtaining grant money. He said that his department is aware of the issues and are busy laying out a plan. They are getting prepared to go to the legislature in January to get money for roads.

Director Hirashima stated that the Fourth Street Interchange is at a level F and really needs to be looked at. She said planning will take longer so it is important to start that soon.

# Council Meeting Compensation

Mayor Kendall stated that Council currently receives \$461.25 per month salary which includes attending the two regularly scheduled Council meetings and two regularly scheduled work sessions. This has been set by the Salary Commission.

In addition, Council receives \$50 per meeting for a maximum of 10 meetings per month. Ms. Swenson distributed a survey from October 2005 of cities similar in size to Marysville and the salaries of their Councilmembers and the Mayor opened the floor for discussion.

City Council Retreat March 25, 2006 Page 3 of 12 Attorney Weed said that if the issue is reimbursement for time to attend meetings, the Council can address the issue. If it is compensation only, then the Salary Commission must determine the rate.

It was noted that the original intent of the \$50 per meeting was to reimburse Councilmembers for the time needed to take off work, etc. to attend meetings. It was also noted that the Fire District pays \$70 per meeting and the Health District pays \$55.

Mayor Kendall added that the budget allows for \$1000 per month per Councilmember.

Councilmembers agreed that they did not run for office for the pay but as a community service; however, attending meetings does have an impact in terms of time off of work, away from family, etc. Council came to consensus that \$100 per meeting with a maximum of ten meetings per month was in line with other cities the size of Marysville and was fair.

There was a short discussion of travel expenses with the explanation given that the City pays based on Mapquest mileage from City Hall to point of meeting at the rate determined by the I.R.S.

# Committee Structure

Councilmember Nehring stated that he appreciates staff's willingness to flex times of meetings to accommodate Council's schedules, and allowing them to attend meetings without having to take as much time off of work. All councilmembers agreed.

Councilmember Phillips asked about restarting the Economic Development subcommittees. Ms. Swenson explained that the committees were not currently meeting but that she would meet with the Committee Chairs to provide them with an update.

## Departmental Reports

The Mayor asked if the Council wished to see any changes in the monthly departmental reports that they receive.

Councilmember Seibert asked how much staff time was needed to generate the reports, and Mayor Kendall replied that it was not much because the information was needed anyway.

Councilmember Wright asked if they could get the information electronically, and Mayor Kendall said they would look into it.

Councilmember Vaughan said the reports contain more information than he cared to read, and that he would prefer a one page sheet from each department with key indicators.

City Council Retreat March 25, 2006 Page 4 of 12 Also, he said that statistics were started over each year, and thought rolling statistics were needed. Mayor Kendall suggested an Executive Summary with back-up for those that wanted additional information.

# Waterfront Park (Pay Station)

Director Ballew distributed a summary of fees charged at other state and municipal motorized boat launches. He estimated that the Ebey Waterfront Park boat launch has experienced about 500 launches this year so far. He noted that the park is easily maintained and the City has received huge accolades because it is free. If the City decides to charge, it would increase the risk in terms of loss of immunity.

Attorney Weed noted that you can't determine the cost of loss of immunity because you don't know if you will have large or small claims. One large claim could have a big impact. He said it is really a policy issue.

Ms. Swenson informed the Council that WCIA charges are based on employee hours and a history of claims.

Councilmember Rasmussen asked if there was a history on donation pay stations. Director Ballew did not have one. He stated that the City would have to educate the public that it is a donation, but noted that they have had success in other areas with donations such as the petting zoo. He added that people are willing to make donations if the facility is maintained.

Councilmember Wright expressed concern regarding theft and vandalism, and Chief Carden admitted there is always that possibility but that the key would be a strong donation box.

The Council came to consensus that a donation box was what they wanted, and directed the sale of the current kiosk that is there now. City Attorney Weed stated that the wording on the donation box was important, and Director Ballew assured him they would run that by him.

There was a break in the retreat from 10:00 a.m. until 10:10 a.m.

## Fire District

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Ms. Swenson began a short discussion on annexation into the Fire District. She said that it is her recommendation that the City does not annex into the Fire District. After reviewing the issues, it seems that there would be no gains, but the City would lose control. She stated that she has had discussions with the Fire Chief and his main concern would be voting on funding for fire service. A vote would require votes in three districts.

Council reached consensus that they were not interested in annexing into the Fire District but would support a vote for fire services.

# **Financial Reports**

Director Langdon asked if Council was getting what they needed from their monthly reports, and if they were looking for anything else.

Consensus of Council was that they were satisfied with the current reports they are getting.

# Dog Park

Director Ballew said the Park Board is interested in an off-leash park. He has met with Snohomish County and other entities regarding a possible regional facility. He noted the Marymoor Park is a good example, and has been run by donations until this year. They now charge for parking. He noted that 20-30 acres would probably be needed.

Councilmember Rasmusssen stated that there is high enthusiasm for this by pet owners, and thought this should be a priority amenity to support volunteers in an effort to accomplish a park.

There was some discussion of how an off-leash park works, and the possibility of a non-profit group being formed to organize volunteers for fund-raising and maintenance. Attorney Weed stated that it was important that a park be properly signed with a clear set of rules; that a fee was not charged, but a fee for parking could be charged.

Councilmember Rasmussen stated that, if the City found the property, the interest of the people is there and the volunteers would come.

# I-Net/Cable

Community Information Officer Doug Buell explained the difference between PEG and I-Net. It was noted that each Comcast cable user was being charged \$1 per month, and this charge is paying off costs that were incurred and would be paid off by the end of this year.

A discussion of whether or not to continue collecting the \$1 fee followed:

Councilmember Seibert stated that the fee was put in place for a specific purpose that was going away at the end of the year and, therefore, the City should not continue to collect the fee.

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Councilmember Vaughan noted that if the City decides to keep the Community Channel, it has to be funded, and he wanted to be sure that those reaping the benefits were the ones paying for it.

Councilmember Phillips stated that if you reduced the fee, you would not be able to raise it later.

There was a discussion of the cost of running a Community Channel and personnel that would be needed. The fee could not be used to pay for employees' salaries.

Councilmember Rasmussen suggested using high school students to produce programming.

Councilmember Phillips noted that people watch the channel when there is specific programming, and that the TV Advisory Committee's goal is to increase programming.

In summary, Council commented as follows:

Councilmember Soriano was in favor of using the full \$1 to get more flexibility of what can be done with programming.

Councilmember Nehring stated that if the City kept the channel, better programming was needed, and was not in favor of keeping the fee if programming could not be improved.

Councilmember Phillips stated that Dick Walsh from the high school would be willing to let students produce films that could be broadcast. He is in favor of keeping the channel.

Councilmember Seibert was in favor of using high school students to produce programming.

Councilmember Rasmussen suggested paying off the I-Net and then anything new for I-Net be paid from the general fund. She also wanted the school district contacted to see what they could do to assist the City in programming.

Councilmember Vaughan agreed with Councilmember Rasmussen on the I-Net and was in favor of keeping the \$1 to improve programming. He did not want the school district to lose their programming.

Councilmember Wright was supportive of the high school program and wanted to see the City work with the school district to upgrade programming.

Council took a break from the retreat at 11:25 until 11:35.

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# Golf Course

Community Information Officer Buell distributed a summary of recommendations from the Golf Committee that included:

- More marketing
- Point of Sale Software
- Improving User Loyalty
- Eliminating Use of City Water

The summary also included recommendations from Mayor Kendall and Ms. Swenson to establish a 3-5 member Committee and offer a military discount.

Director Ballew noted the following:

- They are looking into different Point of Sale systems;
- Additional golf carts have been ordered and are expected April 10;
- Pass sales end this month 58 passes sold to-date;
- 46 tournaments have registered
- a Senior Men's Club has been formed with a 501.C.3 designation, charter, and bylaws;
- the Women's Club is growing and will meet bi-monthly.

Director Ballew has asked the Men's Club to start publishing their newsletter again, and distributed a copy of the golf course's new brochure. He noted that with a Point of Sale system, players can be marketed directly, and suggested a loyalty program to bring in more business.

Mayor Kendall stated they are also looking at tournament rates and maybe offering lower rates for week day tournaments. He then showed a drawing of the golf course noting options that the engineering department has developed as alternatives to using City water for watering the course. This includes an additional pond. Suggested upgrades would cost approximately \$50,000 with a 4/year payback. The options are still being analyzed but they could conceivably be completed in 90 days.

Mayor Kendall announced that the Advisory Committee members would be: Tom St. Onge, Jim Lonneker, and Gail Rauch.

Council took a break from 11:55 a.m. until 12:32 p.m.

# Organizational Structure

Community Information Officer Doug Buell displayed an overhead of an option for future organizational structure of the City.

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Ms. Swenson explained that, with the growth the City is experiencing, the City will probably need to add another director. This director would head the Administration Department that would include City Clerk, Community Information Officer, IT Department, Real Property/Real Estate, and Library.

Also, a purchasing person would be added to finance.

Mayor Kendall noted that this proposal would split Fleet and Facilities and add a Capital Facilities person. Ms. Swenson added that Facilities might move over to Administration. She said there is a real need now for a Real Property/Real Estate Position.

Mayor Kendall said the Police Department has had a slot added for Emergency Management and explained the requirements of the City to have an Emergency Management Plan in place and training required by staff.

They noted that this is a 3-5 year plan.

Mayor Kendall then asked for staff and Council comments:

Director Langdon stated that the Finance Department is here to service the other departments, and is working on technology to increase service to the citizens and staff.

Director Roberts said that in terms of utilities, the City is very healthy, and the department is looking at the future in all areas and projecting out. With all the annexations, there are stormwater issues in two areas:

- 1. Retention/detention ponds that are inherited; and
- 2. Regulations that may come up in the future.

Streets are a challenge in terms of the streets themselves, stop lights, and street lights. He noted that they will be giving a complete report to Council on Monday.

He added that the Engineering staff is strained, and noted the demand for engineering talent in the area. He said the City can't compete with salaries so they are trying to compete by offering corporate amenities.

Director Hirashima noted the big annexations with lots of growth, both commercial and residential. She said she went to a PUD meeting where they reviewed their current projects that are planned and 5 out of 11 were in Marysville. She added that, as we go forward targeting for growth, the most important issue is roads. If the City wants to move forward, it is imperative they address the transportation issues.

She also stated that the City needs to take a look at housing stock, and with all of the retail developing, there will be a need for affordable housing. The need for multiple-family housing will need to be addressed. It is a requirement of the GMA. One of the things hampering this is a current trend of apartments being converted to condos.

City Council Retreat March 25, 2006 Page 9 of 12 Community Information Officer Buell stated that he is starting to work on the Spring/Summer newsletter and encouraged all to let him know if they have anything they want included. He stated that he is also planning on doing more on the web site this summer.

City Attorney Weed stated that he has 26 years of practicing municipal law, he has accolades to give to the directors who are a talented and great group to work with, and to Council who is very supportive of their efforts.

He noted that with growth there are also increased legal demands. It is not a matter of whether but when the City wants to transition to a full time attorney. He said he is willing to help Marysville with that transition when they are ready. Currently the City has in house support through himself, Ryan White, and in his office Craig Knutson, and Cheryl Beyer.

Growth also impacts the court calendar. At some point, the City needs to consider either a second courtroom or full-time judge. It also impacts the prosecutor, public defender, probation officer, and court staff.

There is a marked increase in contracts generated by the Engineering Department; an increase in planning and permit issues; parks issues, etc., and an increase in the number of deeds and easements processed.

Director Ballew announced that they hopefully will have a new Athletic Coordinator hired within thirty days; and are having lots of people calling and coming in asking about programming and signing up to participate. The growth around Deering Wildflower Acres is creating management issues that they are looking into. Vandalism is also a big issue. They are also working a lot on Capital Facilities Planning over the next 1 ½ years.

Chief Carden noted that the community is thriving. He cautioned that with annexation you get the good and the bad, and that crime rates are rising. Vandalism increases with an increase in population. Also they are seeing an increase in gang members being noted by the SRO officers. The gang issue must be taken seriously. It is important to maintain the officers in the schools; he recommended sending the SRO officers to special training regarding gangs and putting in place ordinances to help control the problem. He cautioned them not to wait until it gets out of hand.

The Chief added that there needs to be more time spent on crime prevention; adding that eventually there will be a need for a Crime Prevention Officer.

He added that he has a great staff, and that they are very professional.

Ms. Swenson said she talked to her counterparts in Olympia, Kirkland, and Renton. Their cities are about the same size as Marysville but they have a much higher number of employees (400 in Kirkland/700 in Renton). She noted that the directors are the best she

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has worked with and that she has heard a lot of positive comments that staff is solution orientated with great customer service. She added that morale is good through-out the City.

Director Ballew acknowledged the great job Ms. Swenson did of talking with employees following union negotiations.

Councilmember Wright asked about Deering Wildflower Acres, and Director Ballew noted that they would not be closing it. Councilmember Wright stated that they needed to look into parking for that park.

Councilmember Wright also stated she has had several questions regarding fencing and asked who those should be referred to. Director Hirashima responded that her department would handle those calls.

Councilmember Rasmussen said it was an honor to work with Council and the directors. She said she was excited about the direction the city was going and happy to be a part of it.

Councilmember Seibert referred to a rate study done a couple of years ago and asked about doing a full study of inventory of the infrastructure. Director Langdon said that is actually being required of the City and is being worked on.

Councilmember Seibert asked about the map on the web site noting that it is hard to negotiate. Director Hirashima suggested he try again because they have just gone to a hosted web site which has greatly improved maneuverability.

Councilmember Seibert also said that this is a really good time for the City. He wanted economic development and the City has done a really good job of planning. He also stated that it is great working with Council and the directors.

Councilmember Phillips said he echoed the comments of the others, and that he is really proud to be a part of this team.

Councilmember Nehring stated that staff, Council, and Mayor have worked together to clean up some of the Economic Development issues; and now they need to work on bringing in higher paying jobs. He said he is proud of everyone and how everything has come together.

Councilmember Soriano thanked the department heads for being here today. He said they are responsible for putting things into play and Council then gives their blessing. He noted that Boeing is having the same challenges with a shortage of engineers. He ended by saying it is great to be on Council.

Councilmember Vaughan noted that each Councilmember brings their own talents to Council. He appreciates the experience and has loved every minute. The City has a great staff and he is looking forward to the future.

Mayor Kendall noted that he met with the Directors prior to the retreat, and that they are doing a great job. He added that part of that is because of the good staff they have.

Mayor Kendall then adjourned the retreat into Executive Session at 1:44 p.m.

Approved this 10th day of April, 2006.

Council met in Executive Session to discuss real estate and personnel. They adjourned from Executive Session, took no action and Mayor Kendall adjourned the retreat at 3:35 n.m.

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